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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Applicant : M. W. Beach, et al.
Serial No. : 09/244,304
Filed : 3 Feb 1999
Examiner : Dr. Geoffrey R. Akers
Group : 3624
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of Duplicate Invoices
Docket No. : END919980071US1

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(37 C.F.R. § 1.191)

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner, mailed 15 Oct 2003, finally rejecting claims 12-19.

1. STATUS OF APPLICANT

This application is on behalf of other than a small entity.

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3. EXTENSION OF TERM

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